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DR&HS Lapham Woods Walk-Through

The Duxbury Rural and Historical Society announces an informational walk-through of the Lapham Woods property, recently the focus of a forestry project coordinated by the Society's Lands Committee. The walk-through will take place across from the Mayflower Cemetery on July 29th at 10 am. All interested individuals are encouraged to attend. The Forestry consultant, Phil Benjamin, will lead the presentation. Benjamin has worked with both the Wildlands Trust, the Town Conservation and Open Space Committees for

many years.

The forestry project at Lapham Woods is singularly designed to increase the health of the forest. Benjamin will discuss the methods used to encourage new growth in the woods as well as various strategies to create new habitats for birds and animals.

The first part of the project was completed in June. The remainder of the foresting will resume in July for another three to four weeks. When work is complete, the slash and logging roads will then be smoothed out and cleaned up. In two to three

years, the forest will be well on its way to being not only healthy but also aesthetically pleasing. A further plan for walking trails is anticipated starting this fall.

For more information call 934-6106.